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## On the 'Rhode' Again



Dear Friends,

In order to effectively represent my constituents and the issues that are important to our state, I need to know what those issues are from every angle and perspective. I need to know what challenges our communities are facing. I need to know what resources our businesses need, how our schools are performing, and what keeps parents up at night. And the best way to get that information is simple: by listening and engaging with my fellow Rhode Islanders. Whether it's at an in-person Town Hall meeting, at my quarterly Lunch with Langevin, online at a Twitter Town Hall, or just in the local coffee shop, I want my constituents to reach out, say hello, and share their stories.

Starting this week, I'm embarking on a summer road trip – or a 'Rhode' trip, if you will – to hear some of those stories.

Throughout the month of August, I will be zig-zagging my way through the Second District, visiting every community I represent. Congress is in recess for the August District Work Period, so before

Join the Conversation:



### Save The Date

#### FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY

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Roger Williams Park  
Providence

### Did You Know...?

#### A DIVERSE CONSTITUENCY

Our website has a Spanish language page for constituents who need help dealing with a federal agency and want to know how to contact our office.  
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#### FAST FACT

Rhode Island was just awarded \$13.1 million in federal funds to extend commuter rail service to Pawtucket and Central Falls. >>

### In Other News

#### FIGHTING INJUSTICE

In the wake of vandalism at a Muslim community center, Rep. Langevin joined faith

the start of autumn, I will have spent time in each of the 21 cities and towns in the district. I will be visiting businesses, meeting constituents, and having meaningful conversations with Rhode Islanders on a host of issues. Together, we will discuss everything from health care and education to workforce development and the economy. And together, we can brainstorm solutions. Your opinion matters and it helps to inform my work in Congress.

I hope you will join me on this journey by following social media with the hashtag, [#LangevinRhodeTrip](#), and through the [interactive map on my website](#). As always, you can be part of the discussion on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) and [Instagram](#).

And if you see me on the road this summer, I hope you will introduce yourself and share your story. I can't wait to hear it.

Sincerely,

*Jim Langevin*



### Cyber Progress

Though not at the pace I would like, the awareness of cybersecurity as a national security and economic challenge continues to grow. President Obama just issued a [policy directive](#) that moves toward a more centralized cyber effort within government and makes way for a faster, more effective response to a potential cyber attack. As co-founder and co-chair of the Congressional Cybersecurity Caucus, I continue to do my part, as well, and [introduced two bills](#) along with Rep. John Ratcliffe (R-TX) that would [strengthen collaborative cybersecurity research and development efforts with Israel](#).



### Strengthening CTE

As co-chair of the Career and Technical Education Caucus, supporting skills training and workforce development programs is always on my mind. I was proud to [join a bipartisan group of legislators](#) to push that goal forward with the [introduction of legislation](#) that reauthorizes and modernizes the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, and ensures that education in America reflects the demands of our economy.

leaders and many Rhode Islanders to speak out against discrimination and violence. >>

### TIME FOR ACTION

Rep. Langevin spoke on the House floor, encouraging Republicans to bring commonsense, responsible gun reform issues up for a vote. >>

### PERSEVERANCE PAYS OFF

ICYMI Mark Patinkin wrote a column in the *Providence Journal* about Rep. Langevin's journey to public service and his commitment to giving back to the community. >>

### MAKING US PROUD

Rep. Langevin offered his congratulations to the Tomaquag Museum for being nationally recognized for their leadership in preserving and promoting Native American history. >>

### CYBER LEADER

As one of *The Christian Science Monitor's* 'influencers,' Rep. Langevin spoke about the importance of protecting cybersecurity researchers. >>

### STAY IN SCHOOL

Rep. Langevin joined the rest of the Congressional delegation to announce nearly \$500,000 in funding to help at-risk high school students to graduate and pursue higher education. >>

### WIN FOR QUONSET

As Electric Boat continues to grow, Rep. Langevin applauded a new program that will ensure Rhode Islanders are trained and qualified for the jobs of the future. >>

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